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(*d*) The proposal was abandoned in 1932 as it was reported that the ryots would not give any undertaking as to the payment of a contribution, that the outfall sluice, if constructed, would only afford relief for a few days in every year, and that even then local rainfall, if heavy, would nullify the effects of the sluice as local drainage would get blocked up.

Erection of a culvert over a revenue channel in Venkatapuram, Vellore taluk.

* 33 *Q.*—Mr. V. M. Ramaswami Mudaliyar: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the villagers of Venkatapuram, Vellore taluk, of the North Arcot district, petitioned to the Collector of North Arcot for the erection of a culvert over a revenue channel passing through the village;

(*b*) whether the Collector had promised the erection of the culvert on payment of the contribution of one-fourth of the total cost of the construction;

(*c*) whether the villagers were asked by the Collector to assign the required lands to the Government; and

(*d*) what progress has been made in the erection of the culvert?

A.—(*a*) to (*d*) The Government have no information but have called for a report.

Land Revenue Administration

Representation by the South Kanara District Landholders' Association for the suspension of the resettlement operations.

* 34 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have considered the representation made by the South Kanara District Landholders' Association for suspending the resettlement operations till the present economic depression passes off; and

(*b*) whether any final orders have been passed in regard to this matter?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No. The Government have decided to consider after the publication of the scheme report the views put forward in the resolution as regards suspending the resettlement operations in South Kanara district.